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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND NETWORK
CONNECTION DIAGNOSTIC METHOD USED IN THE SAME
APPARATUS

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 29 pages, including 2 independent claims and 16 claims total.
2. Drawings- 7 sheets of formal drawings containing 8 figures. (Figures 1-8).
3. Certified copy of Japanese Application No. 2003-022153, filed January 30, 2003.
4. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 1 document attached.

5. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.

Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Application No. 2003-022153, filed January 30, 2003.

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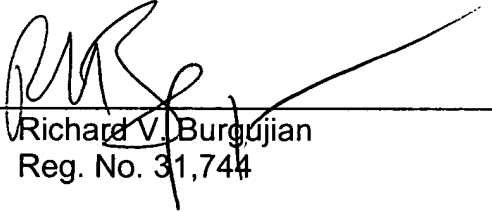
Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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